

# Yeni language

The **Yeni language** is an extinct language of Cameroon, formerly spoken around Djeni Mountain in the Nyalang area. All that remains of the language, apparently, is a song remembered by some Sandani speakers. However, according to Bruce Connell (the first linguist to report its existence, in 1995), comparison of the song's words to neighboring languages suggests that "it was closely related to [the Mambiloid languages] Cambap, Njerep, and Kasabe"<sup>[1]</sup> (<https://web.archive.org/web/20040814144719/http://lucy.ukc.ac.uk/dz/connell/Mori/Moribundlngs.html>).

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	Yeni
Region	Cameroon
Extinct	20th century
Language family	<div>Niger–Congo<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Atlantic–Congo<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Benue–Congo<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Mambiloid<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Mambila-Konja ?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Yeni</b></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></li></ul></div>
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	yei
Glottolog	yeni1253 ( <a href="http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/yeni1253">http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/yeni1253</a> ) <sup>[1]</sup>

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